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he is of greafe value. And in behouynge of these  
thynges she sawe a couerture of an hors all whyte  
te / and hyr semed that it was the same that the  
knyght bare that wanne the pryce of the Justes &  
was made in the cyte of Hyenne / and that hadde  
the shelde of crystall and the garlonde whiche she  
tolde to Plabell. And Plabell answered to hyr / ne  
uer thynke ye so / for all daye ben made sembla  
ble couertures and tokenes whyte / wherof ye may  
well be deceyued . But Hyenne enforced hyr self  
alwaye to take better hede / and of the greate  
Joye that she hadde she sayd to hyr moder. Mad  
ame I am a lytell crased and sodaynly taken / wher  
fore yf it please you I wolde fayne iest a lytell in  
this chambre / and late me here be all alone with  
myn syster Plabell / for I wyl haue none other  
by me / and anone eche body auoyded out of the  
chambre / and thenne Plabell dyde shytte the dore  
that no body myght come in. Thenne sayd Hyen  
ne / now we shall see yf that we may fynde any  
thyng that we may haue better knowleche of /  
for myn herte sayth yes . After that they hadde  
serched and vlyted all the chambre / they came  
on a syde of the chambre where they founde a ly  
tell dore / of whiche henge a lytell keye by a thwon  
ge / and anone they opened the dore and entred  
therin . And there was a lytell chamb:c whiche

to Paris. It is not longe syth  
to Diabane / and that I ac  
my moder for to go vylte your father  
thenne was seke / and we sawe and beheld  
castell vntyll we came to your oratorie / & there I  
sawe certayne Jewels whiche moche well pleased  
me & I toke them and haue kepte theym vntyll  
this presente tyme / and I shall now rendre theym  
vnto you agayne / and therefore I praye you that  
yf I haue done ony dyspleasyr or made ony detour  
te that ye wyll pardone me / for I promyle to you  
by my fayth that I haue done it for none euill /  
To whome Paris answered humbly and with  
greate reuerence and sayd moche curiously . Was  
Dame by your curiously ye came to vylte my fa  
der / of whiche vyltacyon not only my fader / but  
all our frendes haue receyued greate and louetay  
ne honour / wherfore myn excellent lady / my fa  
der / my moder / and I ben all yours / and all that  
we haue also. And yf by auenture your ladyship  
hadde ony pleasyr for to take of my Jewelles . I  
ensure you by my fayth / that myne herte hath  
therin moche greater pleasyr than ony herte of  
man may thynke / and yet more sholde haue yf  
the sayd Jewelles were better the half than they  
be. So thenne I praye you ryght honourable da



... and knowe ye verly that  
then that the sayd Jewels were  
a frenshe knyght gyuen to me.

**T**henne sayd Wyenne ye nede not to saye to  
me fro whens these Jewels ben comen/for  
I knowe them as well as ye. And Wyenne sayd I  
meruayll me greatly how ye so longe haue hydde  
your loue fro me. I praye you as moche as I may  
& by the fayth þe haue towarde me þe saye to  
me the trouthe of that whiche I shall demaunde  
you/for moche I delyre it to knowe. ¶ Thenne  
sayd Parys tyght honourable damoyzell ye ought  
not to praye me where ye haue power to comaūde  
me. for all that your ladyshyp shall please to des-  
maunde me I shall saye to you the trouth with a  
good herte & good wyll. Thenne sayd Wyenne I  
wyl fyrst that ye saye the trouthe yf þe were he  
that in suche a yere came euery nyght lynyngge  
& sownyngge Instrumentes soo swetely tofore my  
chanbre. After I wyl that ye tell me yf ye wanne  
the Justes that were made the fyrst daye of May  
in this cyte. And yf ye bare awaye the shelde of  
crystall & the chapeilet whiche I haue seen in your  
oratorie. After I wyl that ye saye to me yf ye  
wanne þe Justes the .xviij. day of Septembre whiche

**W**han Darys was pourueyed of money and  
of all other thynges beyng to them neces  
sarpe/ he wente all alone the secretest wy  
se that he myght & came to the place emptyed at  
the houre taken/ and he made a token whiche Dy  
enne knewe. And anone Dyenne & Plabell cladde  
them in mannes arraye & lepte out of the castell  
by a fauce porte / & so came these two damoyseles  
to the place where as Darys was alone/ whiche as  
wayted vpon theyr conynges/ & Incontynent they  
departed & wente where as theyr horsles were who  
me they toke & rode as fast as they myght / and  
George rode alwaye tofore bycause to knowe wel  
the waye/ & whyles they thus rode aroos a storme  
w<sup>th</sup> a greate rayne whiche endured tyll on the mor  
ne at nyght/ & thenne they arryued nyghe vnto a  
lytell towne/ but they entred not bycause they wol  
de not be knowen/ and went & lodged them in a  
lytell churche nygh vnto the towne/ where they fou  
de a ch<sup>ap</sup>elaine whiche receyued them gladly the  
best waye at all nyght/ & thenne whan the nyght ca  
me vnto the ch<sup>ap</sup>elaine slepte in a lytell house  
Joynynge vnto the churche. George & Darys seruaunt  
slepte in the stable with the bestes/ and Dyenne &  
Plabell slepten in the churche/ & in the mornynge  
erly they wente lyabely to horsbak & rode tyll they  
came nyghe vnto the towne/ whiche was rysen hye  
by cause of the rayne wat hadde fallen. Thenne  
Darys was moche angry by cause he sawe well

that it was moche peryllous & layd to George/  
that he sholde seche and aduise some good place  
where they myght passe ouer / & George withdrew  
fro hym a lytell from them & chace a place whi-  
che thouzt hym good & toke the ryuer w<sup>th</sup> his hors  
And whan he was in the myddes of the streame his  
hors fayled hym that he was drowned & his hors  
also. ¶ Parys seynge that George was drowned  
was moche sore abashed & durst make no sem-  
blaunce bycause h<sup>e</sup> sayre Wyenne sholde haue no me-  
lancolye. And after Wyenne demaunded of Parys  
whete George was becomen / & Parys answered  
to hyr h<sup>e</sup> had sente hym for to seche some good  
passage / & they wolde tourne in to the chirche a-  
gayne tyll George were comen. And Wyenne an-  
swered to hym h<sup>e</sup> it pl<sup>e</sup>as<sup>ed</sup> hyr well so to do / for  
she had greute doubte & fere for to passe the wa-  
ter. And whan they were in h<sup>e</sup> chirche Parys was  
che aferde abyde longe in. ¶ And so they stode  
that it was no<sup>t</sup> sure / wherfo<sup>r</sup> the  
chapelayne ys they myght in any wyse passe the  
water. And the chapelayne ys they myght in any  
tyll the water were descended. ¶ And so Parys  
sayd to hym that he sholde seche and aduise  
some place wher they myght passe the water  
that wolde make a br<sup>e</sup>ake in the water / so that they myght  
passe the water / and c<sup>ost</sup> money for. I shall paye for it. And the chapelayne  
sayd that he sholde seche and aduise some place wher they myght  
passe the water / and c<sup>ost</sup> money for. I shall paye for it.



the with right men: by whom that one was a knight  
the fayre knyght yonge and curtopps the whiche I  
hyleus is drowned in passynge a ryuer. And they  
were in myn hous/and the two damoyseles slepte  
toggyder in the churche/and the knyght slept with  
me / and the other two men slepten in the stable  
with the horsles. Thenne whan the Dolphyn her  
de these tydynge he hadde ryght greate pleasyr  
of whiche he made no semblaunce/and gaf to the  
chapelayne moche moneye and greate yettes and  
hadde hym retourne. ¶ After the Dolphyn toke  
Wyenne by the hande in repleuyngge hyr moche  
gretely / and ladde hyr in to hyr moders chambre  
with Plabell/for hyr moder was seke of the grea  
te sorowe that she had for hyr doughter/and the  
re the moder blamed them both two. And Plabell  
sayd that Wyenne was as pure and clene of hyr  
body as she was the same daye that she departed  
Alas sayd the Dolphyn / thou hast put vs in the  
moost grettest shame of all the worlde. And I pro  
myse that all they that haue consented thereto they  
shall be well punysshed / and in especyall that e  
uyl traytour Darys the whiche is cause of all this  
fayte/and yf euer I may haue hym I shall make  
dogges for to deuoure hym/ & also bothe ye twey  
ne shall suffre therfore greate penaunce. Thenne  
sayd Wyenne wepyng. I see well and knowe that  
ye haue encencyon to do to me moche gret and  
harne/ & I see well that my lyf shall not longe en

But / therefore I wrote to you in good sayng that  
theris no man in the worlde that I so moche loue  
as I do hym whome ye so menace & thirtene. for  
in hym I haue my thought & courage wout euer  
to fayle hym / and yf ye shortly gyue to me my  
penaunce so moche shorter shall be my deth. And yf  
ye suffre me to endure it longe so moche more shal  
I bere it / & my soule shall be the more sure tofore  
almighty god / & knowe ye for certayne þ for hys  
& his loue I am redy to dye. Thenne the dolphyn  
ysued out of the chambie in greate Indygnacyon  
& comaunded that the fader of Parys sholde be  
put in an euill pryson / & that all his goodes shol  
de be taken fro hym / & also that Wyenne & Ysabel  
sholde be enclosed in a chābre & þ well lptell mete  
sholde be gyuen to them / & moche he menaced &  
thretened them. & thus they abode a longe tyme in  
that chambie & contynuelly Wyenne dremed of Pa  
rys. And whan she myght haue ony space to speke  
to Edward felowe of Parys she requyred hym  
that he sholde serche yf he myght haue ony tydyn  
ges of Parys & that he sholde lete hyr knowe thers  
of. In this maner Wyenne passed hyr tyme in gre  
te sorowe & in grete thought alwaye desyrynge to  
here some tydynge of that noble knyght Parys.

**W**han Wyenne had ben a greate tyme in this  
maner. The dolphyn bethought hym that  
thenne his doughter Wyenne had ben well chasty /



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